..portation of coal from Talcher Coal' field by rail-cum-sea route through Paradeep Port as the most economical alternative. Until arrangements for movement of coal by rail-cum-sea route are finalised, coal would be moved from the Talchsr Coalfields to the North Madras S:ation by all rail route.

The TNE.B have earmarked two areas for inland ash disposal, one measuring 70 hectares adjacent to the site of the thermal power station and the other measuring 430 hectares located further South of the power plant: It is p-oposed by the Board to build suitable ash dyke/ bund for retaining ash.

Forum for the Grievances of Public Sector Officers

*477. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government arc \nv-are that there is no forum for the redressal of grievances of public *sector* officers;

(b) if so. what steps Government propose to take to create such a forum;

(c) whether Government propose to extend the jurisdiction of the Central Administrative Tribunal for the officers of the public sector undertakings; and

(d) if so, what are the details there of ?

THE MINlSrER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b). A model scheme for grievance redressal procedure for staff officers of the PSUs has already been evolved by the Government for adoption by ISUs with or without modification as appropriate to the enterprises concerned. The scheme also provides for setting tip of the grievance redressal committee at unit/regional level. Most of the PSUs arc having adequate mechanism for the redressal of grievances of their officers and staff.

(c) and (d) A provision has been made in the Administrative Tribunal Act, 1985 to bring PSU's/Corpora-tions/Socicties under the Central Government, within the purview of the Central Administrative Tribunal by issue of a notification under Section 14(2) of the Administrative Tri-bunal Act. The issue of such notification covering FSUs may be considered by Government as and when the Tribunal is fully equipped to take on the extra work load.

Investments in Public Sector Units

*478. SHRI JAGADISH JAN1: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be- pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made any fresh investments in the public sector units ;

(b) if so, the total investments made so far during 1987-88;

(c) whether Government are tak ing steps to ensure that all fresh in vestments in the public sectcr do not go to the loss incurring enterprises; and

(d) if- so, what steps have been taken in this retard'.'

ITTEMINISTE-R -OF-INDUSTRY (SHRL .1. VENGAL RAO): (a) *Ya,* Sir. Investments in Central Public Sector Undertakings is a continuous process.

(b) The figures for 1987-88 are not yet available as the audited accounts of public Seotor Undertakings will be av abailable only by the end of September, 1988.

(c) and (d) Investments decision in Public Sector Undertakings are taken on techno-economic considerations keeping in view the need for balanced regional development. Ins-vestments in loss making enterprises cannot be ruled out.

Equipment Procurement by a Foreign Party for Farakka Thermal Power Station

*479. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI: SHRI ASHWANT KUMAR:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether an order for 5).) MW power generation equipment for Farakka Thermal Power Station his been procured by some foreign party; if so,-the-total value - of the order in crores of inpees along with the scop; of the equipment, names of the foreign contractors, names and addresses of the Indian or foreign agents, foreign exchange component, quantum and terms and conditions of any foreign aid received for this project and its source;

(b) whether BHEL has the capability

to supply the above equipment; if so, what are the reasons for rejecting' BHEL's claim/offer along with the foreign exchange component in BHEE's quotation: and .

(e) what are the reasons for not inviting global tenders alongwith inbuilt financial packages as has been done for HBJ gas pipeline?

THE MINISTBR OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI) : (a) The desired information regarding Power generation equipment procured from foreign contractors for Farraka Super Thermal Power Station Stage-II is given beiow:—

SI. No.	Namsofths Equipment	Foreign Contractor	Value of the order in Rs. crores'	Foreign Exchange component	Name and address of the Indian or foreign agents
1	2	3	4	5	6
	(i) Steam Generator and BLcti PrjcipUatoi Package	M/s Amaldo Components . Sp.\ofI»al>	210.57	DM 255.147 millions plus US S 26.795 millions	No agent was declared by the contractor